

TOYOTA TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING
DOCTORAL COURSE

Application Guide for

ADMISSION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

<ENROLLMENT FOR THE YEAR 2026 and 2027>

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Admissions Policy

Graduate School of Engineering, Doctoral Degree Program

While achievements in science and technology have advanced human life and society, they have also brought with them new and impactful issues such as environmental sustainability, for which solutions are expected and urgently needed.

It is upon this fundamental principle and understanding that our founding philosophy was based, and we continue to "respect the spirit of research and creativity, and always strive to stay ahead of the times", in order to contribute positively to the development of new possibilities for science and technology and offer solutions for the current and future issues facing our society.

To realize this goal we strive to nurture creative and practical engineers and researchers who have abundant wisdom, logic, and a comprehensive perspective that is balanced and encompassed by rich humanity. With this mindset, our engineers will conduct advanced research and develop new technologies to respond to current issues and foresee future challenges.

The doctoral degree course at Toyota Technological Institute ensures that our students learn from some of the best in the industry, and through cross-disciplinary education and creative research that emphasizes a high degree of specialization, our goal is to cultivate engineers and researchers who are able to stay on the cutting edge of their specialized fields, set new boundaries and be active locally and globally in their pursuit to move beyond them. The program strives to nurture leaders who will drive society forwards.

Enrollment Acceptance Policy

In order to develop human resources in accordance with the above goals, we seek students with the following qualities.

- I. An individual who has excellent basic knowledge in the field of science and engineering, and research experience and ability equivalent to a master's degree.
- II. An individual who has the will and ability to discover issues and set goals, create and implement solutions on his/her own initiative, and who is capable of continuous self-development.
- III. An individual who has an international perspective on science and technology, is motivated to develop science and engineering, including interdisciplinary fields, and strives to contribute to the sustainable development of humankind and society through science and engineering in the future.
- IV. An individual who thinks logically and has the ability to communicate effectively with engineers and researchers in Japan and overseas.
- V. A person who acknowledges and respects other personalities, demonstrates his/her individuality, and is able to collaborate with others to discover and set challenges, and solve problems.

Basic Policy for Admission Selection

Through interview examinations and application documents, we evaluate the following: English proficiency required for studying in the doctoral program at the graduate school, academic ability equivalent to a master's degree, master's degree research achievements, master's degree level research performed at companies, research institutes, etc., and the motivation and ability to conduct research that opens up and explores new areas of study beyond their field of specialization.

About Security Export Control

Our institute has established security export control regulations based on the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act, and conducts checks on the management of the export and delivery of goods and technology, including joint research and the acceptance of researchers, international students, and students. As a result, the education and research content offered by our graduate school may be subject to security export control restrictions.

If there is a risk that the content falls under the restrictions, you may not be able to receive the education or research you have requested, or you may be required to request/make an alternative.

*For details on the security export control, please refer to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry website below:

《Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry website》 <https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/anpo/>

I. Major and Number of Applicants

Major	Enrollment in October, 2026	Enrollment in April, 2027
Information-aided Technology		6
Future Industry-oriented Basic Science and Materials		6

(Note) The number of applicants includes those selected for the General Selection and the Special Selection for working adults

II. Application Eligibility

Those who meet both of the following items (1) and (2)

(1) Applicants who meet either the following criteria ① or ② in their desired field of study.

- ① Applicants must have a master's degree or equivalent from an accredited university at the time of admission.
- ② Applicants must be recognized by our institute's graduate school to have academic ability equivalent to or higher than those with a master's degree or professional degree through an individual entrance qualification screening, and must be 24 years of age or older by the end of the month preceding the month of enrollment.

(2) Applicants from countries where English is not an official language must have TOEFL iBT® 79 or above, TOEIC® L&R 645 or above, or IELTS™ 6.0 or above.

<Note>

- Scores for TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC® L&R, or IELTS™ are valid only if the tests were taken during the periods specified below:
Selection in Summer : On or after July 2, 2024
Selection in Winter : On or after November 16, 2024
- For students admitted under the Japanese Government Scholarships, TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC® L&R, and IELTS™ scores are not required for application.

In addition to the above, international students must also go through "III. Application Procedure (1) Prior screening of application eligibility " in advance.

III. Application Procedures

(1) Prior screening of application eligibility

For the admission for international students, a prior screening of application eligibility or other procedure is required.

Applicants are required to prepare the following application documents and contact the academic advisor in the laboratory that they desire to apply for by the following dates. For the application process at this point, electronic documents are allowed to be submitted. After the application is approved by the screening process, the original paper documents must be submitted during the application period.

Selection in Summer : Friday, May 8, 2026

Selection in Winter : Friday, September 4, 2026

(2) Application documents

Applicants must submit the following application documents (1) to (8) ((9) if necessary) to the faculty of the laboratory that they desire to apply for.

*Applications should be written in either Japanese or English.

*Application forms should be downloaded from TTI's website (<https://www.toyota-ti.ac.jp/admissions/info/doctor/english.html>), completed, and printed on A4 size paper.

Please be advised that in the course of enrollment procedures or other administrative matters, all or part of the submitted application documents may be provided to public authorities, such as the Immigration Services Agency, if a formal request for information is made.

Document	Form	Notes
(1) Application for Admission	Provided by TTI	Enter the required information and attach a photograph of your face taken within 3 months prior to application in the designated space.
(2) Certificate of Undergraduate and Graduate Diploma	Issued by the applicant's home university	Official Certificate with authorized signature or seal. (If it is written in a language other than Japanese or English, attach a translation in Japanese or English.) * Those who graduated from educational institutions in the People's Republic of China should refer to (3).
(3) Undergraduate and Graduate Transcripts	Issued by the applicant's home university	Official Certificate with authorized signature or seal. (If it is written in a language other than Japanese or English, attach a translation in Japanese or English.) * Those who graduated from educational institutions in the People's Republic of China should refer to (3).
(4) Master's Dissertation	Free format (A4)	A copy of the master's dissertation or equivalent, with an abstract of approximately 3 pages
(5) List of research achievements and copies of related academic papers, etc.	Free format (A4)	List of research achievements and copies of related academic papers, etc.
(6) English Certificate	Issued by Test Institution	Certificate of TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC® L&R or IELTS™ *Please refer to (4) for the documents required for certification. *Test scores taken on or after the following dates will be valid: • Selection in Summer : July 2, 2024 • Selection in Winter : November 16, 2024
(7) Letter of Recommendation	Prepared by TTI or by the applicant's home university	Written by an academic advisor at the university the applicant is enrolled in or graduated from. *If the applicant submits the form prescribed by his/her home university, it is also acceptable as long as it covers the same contents as those in the form prescribed by TTI.

(8) Declaration of applicable specific categories	Provided by TTI	In accordance with the amendments to the "Deemed Export" regarding security export control (November 2021, Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act), in order to confirm whether the item is subject to control, the declaration document with relevant information and signature must be completed based on the "Flowchart for determining applicable specific categories."
(9) Scholarship Application (if necessary)	Provided by TTI	Prepare the "Application Form for scholarship offered by Toyota Technological Institute" and "Scholarship Pledge Form."

(3) Certificates for Graduates of Educational Institutions in the People's Republic of China

For the documents "(2) Certificate of Undergraduate and Graduate Diploma" and "(3) Undergraduate and Graduate Transcripts", applicants must have the "Academic Background Authentication Report (English version)" and "Transcript Authentication Report (English version)" issued by the "China Higher Education Student Information Network (CHSI)" (<https://www.chsi.com.cn/>) sent directly from CHSI to the TTI Admissions Office (nyushi@toyota-ti.ac.jp) by the deadline stated in "(1) Prior screening of application eligibility."

- For "(2) Certificate of Undergraduate and Graduate Diploma" and "(3) Undergraduate and Graduate Transcripts", no certification reports other than those specified in this procedure will be accepted.
- Applicants must submit all the above documents by the stated deadline. Applicants that miss the deadline will be ineligible for sitting the examination.

(4) Documents Required for English Certificate

For each test (TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC® L&R, or IELTS™), applicants must complete all of the following requirements:

[TOEFL iBT®]

- i) Designate the Institution Code (DI Code) [8276] on the TOEFL registration website (ETS account personal page) to have your "Official Score Report" sent digitally to our university.
- ii) Print the "Test Taker Score Report" (PDF), which can be downloaded from your ETS account, and submit it along with other application documents.

[TOEIC® L&R]

- i) Submit the original "Official Score Certificate" along with other application documents.
*If the original is unavailable, a printed "Digital Official Score Certificate" (PDF) downloaded from the TOEIC registration website is acceptable.
- ii) Submit your score data through the TOEIC registration website using our application code: [00018701].

[IELTS™]

- i) After taking the IELTS Academic test, designate "Toyota Technological Institute" to have your score data sent digitally.
- ii) Print a screenshot of the screen confirming that the digital transmission mentioned in (i) above was completed, and submit it along with other application documents.
- iii) Submit the "Test Report Form" (copy acceptable) along with other application documents.

(5) Application period

Applicants who pass the prior screening of application eligibility must submit all original application documents during the application period below.

Selection in Summer	Monday, June 8, 2026 – Thursday, June 18, 2026 <postmark valid>
Selection in Winter	Monday, October 12, 2026 - Thursday, October 22, 2026 <postmark valid>

(6) Method of application

The original application documents must be submitted in way of either:

- A. By mail within the application period
- B. In-person during office hours (noted below)
(Office hours: 9:00 - 11:30, 13:00 - 17:00, Monday - Friday (except national holidays))

(7) Delivery address

2-12-1 Hisakata, Tenpaku-ku, Nagoya 468-8511
Toyota Technological Institute Graduate School, Entrance Examination Office

IV. About Security Export Control

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In addition, in accordance with the clarification of the objects of control regarding "deemed export" under the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act (Foreign Exchange Laws) in November 2021, all applicants to our institute are now required to submit a "Declaration of applicable specific categories" based on the "Flowchart for determining applicable specific categories."

If there is a risk that the content falls under the restrictions, you may not be able to receive the education or research you requested, or you may be required to request/make an alternative.

(Reference)

《Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry website》 <https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/anpo/gaiyou.html>

V. Method of Entrance Examination

Examination will be made by the Doctoral Program Committee based on the documents submitted by applicants and the results of interviews conducted via online video call (Zoom, etc.).

(Interview exam)

The examination will be based on the presentation and interview regarding the application documents and the applicant's dissertation (or the content of the applicant's master's research if the applicant is expected to have completed a master's degree) or the applicant's research achievements at a company or other organization. In addition, basic academic ability, academic ability in the field of expertise, research ability, awareness of issues in academic research, motivation to study and research, research proposal, etc. are evaluated.

- Method of Presentation: The applicant will be asked to give a presentation using a personal computer. *Presentation materials must be prepared by the day before the examination date.
- Presentation time: 15 min.
- Q&A: 30 min.

VI. Examination Date and Venue

	Selection in Summer	Selection in Winter
Exam Date	Thu. July 2, 2026 <Reserve day: Mon. July 6, 2026>	Mon. November 16, 2026 < Reserve day: Thu. November 19, 2026>
Announcement of results	Thu. July 23, 2026	Thu. December 10, 2026
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All examinees will be notified of their entrance exam results by mail (sent on the day the results are announced). • Successful applicants will receive the enrollment documents by mail. 	
Venue	Toyota Technological Institute or online video call (Zoom, etc.)	

(Note) In the event of large numbers of applicants, the entrance examination may be held on a reserve day.

VII. Student Fees and Scholarships

(1) Student Fees

	1st Year		2nd/3rd year
	On enrollment	Second Semester (October)	
Enrollment fee	260,000 yen	—	—
Tuition fee	350,000 yen	350,000 yen	700,000 yen/year
Insurance fee (Gakkensai)	1,800 yen	—	—
Total	611,800 yen	350,000 yen	700,000 yen/year

(Note 1) The above payment amounts are actual amounts as of April 2026 and may be subject to change during the academic year. Payment amounts for 2027 and beyond will be notified separately.

(Note 2) "Personal Accident Insurance for Students pursuing Education and Research (Gakkensai)" will be collected in a lump sum consisting for 3 years.

(Note 3) In addition to the payment amount above, each student must also enroll into "Comprehensive Accident and Personal Injury/Illness Insurance for Students Coupled with GAKKENSAI 28,300 yen (for 3 years)". Students enrolling midway through the academic year in October will be notified of the insurance premium at the time of enrollment procedures.

(2) Scholarship

Applicants who wish to apply for the scholarship for the doctoral course at Toyota Technological Institute must submit the "Toyota Technological Institute Scholarship Application Form" and "Scholarship Pledge Form" along with the "Application for Admission" form.

Eligibility for Application	Same as the application eligibility in the application guideline for international students. However, applicants must be under the age of 35 at the time of admission.
Number of beneficiaries	A few individuals

Benefits	(1) Exemption from entrance and tuition fees (2) Monthly stipend of 150,000 yen or 200,000 yen * The stipend period is up to 3 years. (If the period exceeds 3 years, an allowance may be provided under the Research Assistant (R.A.) system (Note)).
Method of selection	Selection is made by the TTI's Doctoral Program Committee based on the documents submitted by the applicant, and the final decision is made by the Graduate School of Engineering, Doctoral Program Scholarship Selection Committee, Toyota Technological Institute.

(Note) Research Assistant (R.A.) System

For students enrolled in the doctoral course for more than 3 years, those who are approved as eligible for the Research Assistant System will receive an allowance for “research activities undertaken by the student him/herself” for a maximum of 2 years.

VIII. Student Dormitory

Dormitory
Overview

- Private room (Western-style room, 19.8 m²) * Single room (only 1 person can be accommodated)
- Room facilities: desk, chair, hanger rack, bed, air conditioner, wash stand, toilet, shower, internet connection
- Main shared facilities: kitchen, laundromat, social lounge, bicycle parking lot (car parking is available on campus)
- Dormitory fee: 35,000 yen/month
(Gas, water and internet usage fees are included)

(Note 1) Dormitory fees above may change during students' stay at TTI.

(Note 2) Electricity bill should be arranged separately by the student.